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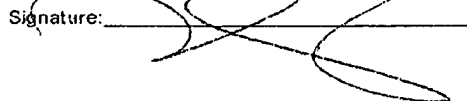
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Interview Summary B

SIR:

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to the undersigned during the telephonic interviews in the application. Applicants submit this Interview Summary merely to clarify the Interview Summary mailed by the Office on March 16, 2006. In particular, Applicants submit the claims are allowable for the reasons set forth in Applicants' response filed December 19, 2005. The Examiner telephoned the undersigned and offered to allow the application if Applicants amended the claims including adding the limitation of "specified output greater than zero." However, during a subsequent interview, Applicants were advised that the limitation of "specified output greater than one" would be necessary for allowance. Applicants are of the opinion that neither of these

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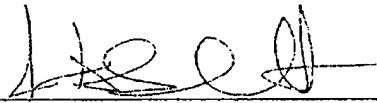
limitations suggested by the Office are necessary for patentability and Applicants submit the claims are patentable without either of the limitations. Applicants considered amending the claims merely in an effort to facilitate the prosecution of the present application. However, it is and has always been the position of Applicants that the claims are allowable without additional amendment for the reasons set forth in the response filed December 19, 2005.

Applicants again thank the Examiner for his time during the interviews and Applicants understand that a new Office Action will be forthcoming.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

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